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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
**BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Applicant(s): Weiping Shao  
Serial No: 09/931,736 Art Unit: 1641  
Filed: 17 August 2001 Examiner: Deborah A. Davis  
Title: SUPPRESSION OF CROSS-REACTIVITY AND NON-SPECIFIC  
BINDING BY ANTIBODIES USING PROTEIN A  
Docket No: 469290-76

27 August 2004

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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2. Request for 4 month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a);
3. Check for \$1810.00 (\$330.00 for Appeal Brief and 1480.00 for a 4 month extension of time for a small entity); and
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